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PRODUCTS

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 21, 2006**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2006, for which a three (3) month period for response was given. A Petition and fee for a one (1) month extension of time accompany this paper. Also enclosed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a fee for same. The Applicants, by and through their attorney, respond as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.